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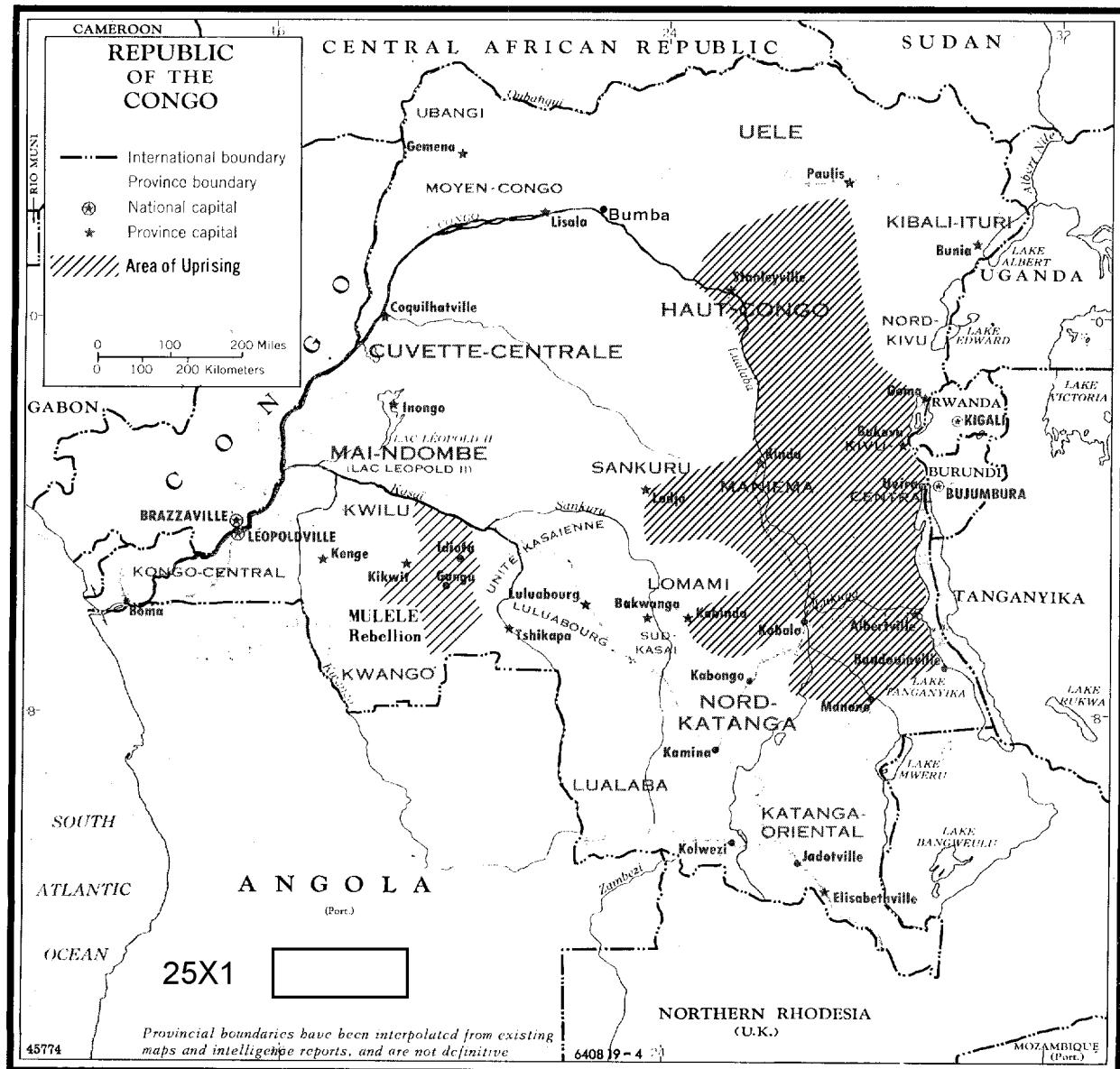
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*Congo: (Situation as of 0430 EDT.) [The military situation in the Congo has taken a sharp turn for the worse.]

[Rebel forces entered Bukavu yesterday and street fighting continues. The local Congo National Army (ANC) commander says he thinks the city can be held if he receives reinforcements. An ANC company, accompanied by a Belgian officer, is being airlifted from Leopoldville in C-130's.]

[Two US military advisors and one member of the US consulate at Bukavu are missing. The rest of the consulate personnel have crossed the border into Rwanda, and reportedly are safe.]

[It appears many of the rebels who entered the city are Tutsi refugees from Rwanda. There are 60,000 such refugees in the Kivu area of the Congo.]

[Although some Tutsis have long been associated with the rebellion in Kivu, many others apparently joined the rebels after Premier Tshombé ordered their expulsion from the Congo two days ago. Twenty Tutsi refugees were reported to have taken a short training course in guerrilla warfare in Communist China last November.]

[Should Bukavu fall, an invasion of Rwanda by the refugees will undoubtedly occur. Rwanda has been preparing for a Tutsi attack.]

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[Kikwit's garrison consists of one and a half ANC companies.]

[There are increasing signs that the exile Committee of National Liberation (CNL) will try to foment outbreaks in Leopoldville in the near future.]

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[The CNL is reported to have several adherents operating within the capital. One is reported to have received some training in Communist China. He reportedly is accompanied by as many as 25 others with like training.]

[The Congolese Surete in Leopoldville has been carrying out a series of arrests to forestall an uprising, but it is not certain whether it has succeeded in discouraging the CNL conspirators.]

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*Cyprus: [The Greek Government appears greatly concerned over its recent loss of support both in Greece and on Cyprus and the concurrent intervention of the USSR in the Cyprus dispute.]

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[REDACTED]
the recent Greek decision to withdraw its contingent from the NATO headquarters at Izmir, Turkey was dictated in part by the decline in the government's prestige in both Greece and Cyprus following its failure to assist the Cypriots militarily during the Turkish air attacks earlier this month.]

[Another reason for the action at Izmir was the Soviet offer of military assistance to Cyprus in the event of another Turkish attack. The Greek Government by removing its NATO contingent hoped to distract public attention from the Soviet move and to appear as strong a guarantor of Cypriot territorial integrity as the USSR.]

A meeting of political and military officials in Athens yesterday, which included leaders of the nationalist opposition, resulted in announcement that Minister of Defense Garoufalias would go to Cyprus today. While the announced purpose of the visit is to be an inspection of Greek troops stationed on Cyprus, it appears likely that he will also be involved in political discussions. He may attempt to have Cypriot Foreign Minister Kyprianou postpone his upcoming visit to Moscow to negotiate for Soviet aid. Kyprianou, who returned from Athens only yesterday, announced on his arrival in Nicosia that the date for his departure for the USSR had not yet been fixed.

[On Cyprus, relations between Makarios and General Grivas appear to be deteriorating with Grivas reportedly fearing that attempts may be made on his life.]

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[REDACTED] his aim remains "enosis and only enosis without conditions and without delays." He claims to have complete control over the Greek Cypriot armed

forces. Grivas was critical of Makarios' attempts to secure Soviet military assistance and said there would be "no Soviets on Cyprus" while he remained on the island.]

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[REDACTED] Prime Minister Inonu and Foreign Minister Erkin may be taking the recent Soviet threat to aid Cyprus seriously, but many other government officials feel the Russians are bluffing. These latter officials believe, however, that there is some "core of reality" in the bluff, such as a Cyprus-USSR treaty or Soviet military assistance short of actual involvement. It is likely that the military agree that the USSR is bluffing.

[REDACTED] While Inonu and Erkin have the major roles in determining Turkey's foreign policy, they would have difficulty in resisting pressures from their civilian subordinates and the military. Therefore, the Soviet threat would probably have little effect in deterring Turkish intervention on Cyprus if violence again breaks out there.]

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Tanganyika-Zanzibar: President Nyerere's campaign to remove Communist influence on Vice President Karume has suffered setbacks.

Ali Sultan Issa, probably the most dedicated and competent of the Zanzibari Communists, has been appointed junior minister to Karume. Issa recently returned to Zanzibar--apparently without authorization--from a "safe" diplomatic post in London. In earlier conversations with the US consul, Issa made no effort to hide his contempt for Tanganyika and its "democratic institutions."

In his new post, Issa will control and be present at Karume's appointments. Salim Rashid, another Communist, acted in a similar capacity until Nyerere removed him to Dar es Salaam. Issa's presence will probably further restrict Western representatives' access to Karume.

Last week, Karume dismissed the British expatriate chief justice of Zanzibar within 24 hours after the high court formally opened. Nyerere had personally selected the chief justice.

In a speech on 17 August, Karume again publicly promised that "the friendship between the German Democratic Republic and the people of Zanzibar will continue forever!" A Chinese Communist trade delegation arrived in Zanzibar the same day.

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